

use for the primary election, until a fair experiment shall have been made for the improvement of it.

It is generally admitted this system would be greatly improved by bringing about uniformity in our choice of the electors, and it is due to the wise framers of the constitution to pause before we exchange the mode they recommended to us, for a new one.

In the event of no choice in the second election, (which is not very likely to happen, though it ought to be provided for.) your committee see there will be as much difficulty as there is diversity of opinion, to fix upon a mode for the final choice of president, which shall be acceptable to all parts of the union. In the meantime it would perhaps be doing enough to improve the present mode of the primary election, by suitable amendments of the constitution, and further to improve the mode of making the second choice, by substituting a choice by states, in the manner herein before recommended, instead of leaving that second election to be made by the house of representatives.

The committee would remark in conclusion, that they believe there is a decided wish among the people of this state, (harmonizing with the sentiments of a great majority of the people of the union,) that no person should be re-eligible to the office of president.

All which is respectfully submitted.

G. H. Steuart, Chairman.

The said report being twice read,

On motion by Mr. Steuart, of Baltimore city, the further consideration thereof, and the accompanying resolutions, originated in this house, and mentioned in said report, were severally referred to the next general assembly of this state.

And the accompanying resolutions from the senate, also mentioned in the said report, being then read by their title, the first, and by a special order the second time, were severally dissented from, and returned to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Buskirk, the resolution submitted by him yesterday, relating to the public printing, was taken up for consideration, read the second time, by a special order obtained for the purpose, conformably to the 38th rule, assented to, and sent to the senate for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Watkins, the house proceeded to consider the resolution submitted by him on Thursday last the 12th inst. to provide for the payment of Jonas Green, for printing bills of the senate since the closing of the journal of accounts; and it was read the second time; when,

On motion by Mr. Watkins, the said resolution was amended and modified to read as follows: